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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT BANZER TO VISIT PHILIPPINES

1. DURING COURTESY CALL BY BOLIVIAN VICE FOREIGN MINISTER HERNANDO GARCIA VESPA ON PRESIDENT MARCOS AUGUST 24, IT WAS ANNOUNCED THAT BOLIVIAN PRESIDENT HUGO BANZER WILL VISIT PHILIPPINES LATE THIS YEAR OR EARLY NEXT YEAR. BANZER WILL BE REPAYING VISIT MADE BY MRS. MARCOS DURING BOLIVIA'S 150TH ANNIVERSARY CEREMONIES IN AUGUST 1975. BOLIVIAN VICE FOREIGN MINISTER ALSO INFORMED PRESIDENT MARCOS OF BOLIVIA'S DESIRE TO CONFER GRAND CROSS OF THE "CONDOR DE LOS ANDES" ON MRS. MARCOS "IN RECOGNITION OF HER ACHIEVEMENTS."

2. COMMENT: IF IT MATERIALIZES, BANZER VISIT WILL BE FIRST VISIT OF SOUTH AMERICAN HEAD OF STATE SINCE MARTIAL LAW. PRESUMABLY, GOP BELIEVES VISIT WILL ENHANCE PHILIPPINES' IMAGE AS THIRD WORLD MEMBER WITH LINES OUT TO ALL PARTS OF THE DEVELOPING WORLD.
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